

In The Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A container to store articles, comprising:
a body defining a first opening; and
a cover comprising a rim coupled to the body to close the first opening of the body, the rim comprising an upper edge and an inner wall with a lower edge;
the cover has defining a cavity having a recessed planar surface, the cavity being at a depth not lower than the lower edge of the rim;
a the recessed planar surface defining at least one second opening; and
the cover ~~comprises~~ comprising at least one lid that is coupled to the cover to selectively open and close the second opening, the lid being coplanar with the recessed planar surface when the lid is in the closed position.
2. (Previously Presented) The container of claim 1, wherein the cover defines a cavity and the second opening and the lid are located in the cavity, the container further comprises: a second cover adapted to fit into the cavity in the cover.
3. (Previously Presented) The container of claim 2, wherein the second cover completely covers the cavity.
4. (Previously Presented) The container of claim 2, wherein the second cover completely covers the second opening and the lid.
5. (Previously Presented) The container of claim 1, wherein the cover further comprises an outer rim and a tear strip at the bottom of the outer rim for releasing the cover from the body.
6. (Previously Presented) The container of claim 1, wherein the second opening is adapted to receive a human hand when the lid is opened.

7. (Previously Presented) The container of claim 1, wherein the lid has a shape chosen from the group consisting of a rectangle, a triangle, a circle, and a semicircle.

8. (Previously Presented) The container of claim 1, wherein the lid further comprises a snapper to engage a portion of the cover defining the second opening to secure the lid in a closed position.

9. (Previously Presented) The container of claim 1, wherein the cover is removable from the body.

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Previously Presented) The container of claim 1, wherein the lid is coupled to the cover via a pivotable connection.

12. (Previously Presented) The container of claim 11, wherein the pivotable connection comprises a hinge.

13. (Currently Amended) A cover for a container, the cover comprising:
a rim to be coupled to the container, the rim having a height;
a planar surface defining, in part, a cavity, the planar surface being at a depth within the height of the rim, and at least one opening in-through the cavity planar surface;
at least one lid coupled to the surface to selectively open and close the opening, the lid being coplanar with the planar surface when the lid is closed; and
the cover further comprises a second cover adapted to removably fit into the cavity in the cover, to cover the at least one lid when the at least one lid is closed.

14. (Previously Presented) The cover of claim 13, wherein the cavity is defined by the surface defining the at least one opening.

15. (Previously Presented) The container of claim 13, wherein the second cover completely covers the cavity.
16. (Previously Presented) The container of claim 13, wherein the second cover completely covers the opening and the lid.
17. (Currently Amended) The container of claim 13, wherein the ~~cover~~ rim further comprises: an outer ~~rim~~ wall and a tear strip at the bottom of the outer ~~rim~~ wall for releasing the cover from the body.
18. (Previously Presented) The container of claim 13, wherein: the opening is adapted to receive a human hand when the lid is opened.
19. (Previously Presented) The container of claim 13, wherein the lid has a shape chosen from the group consisting of a rectangle, a triangle, a circle, and a semicircle.
20. (Previously Presented) The container of claim 13, wherein the lid further comprises a snapper to engage a portion of the cover defining the opening to secure the lid in a closed position.
21. (Previously Presented) The container of claim 13, wherein the lid and the opening are fully within the cover.
22. (Previously Presented) The container of claim 13, wherein the lid is coupled to the cover via a pivotable connection.
23. (Previously Presented) The container of claim 22, wherein the pivotable connection comprises a hinge.
24. (Currently Amended) A container for storing articles, comprising:
a body defining a first opening; and
a cover coupled to the body to close the body;

~~wherein:~~

the cover ~~comprises~~ defines a cavity comprising a surface having at least one opening and at least one lid coupled to the cover to selectively open and close the opening, the lid being flush with the surface when the lid is closed;

~~wherein:~~

~~the cover defines a cavity, and~~

the container further comprises a second cover adapted to fit into the cavity in the cover, wherein the opening and the lid are located in the cavity; and

a plurality of articles within the body.

25. (Currently Amended) The container of claim 24, wherein the ~~fasteners~~ articles are chosen from a group consisting of nuts, screws, nails, and bolts.

26. (Currently Amended) A cover for a container, the cover comprising:

a rim to be coupled to a container, the rim being defined, at least in part, by an inner wall having a lower edge;

a surface having at least one opening;

the cover defining a cavity comprising, in part, the surface, the surface being at a depth not lower than the lower edge of the rim, the opening being located in the cavity;

a lid coupled to the cover to selectively open and close the opening, the lid being flush with the surface when the lid is in a closed position; and

the cover further comprising:

a member adapted to removably fit into the cavity to cover at least a portion of the cavity.

27. (New) The cover of claim 26, wherein:

the second member has a surface with markings.

28. (New) The cover of claim 27, wherein:

the markings define a ruler.